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1. CONGENOFF WHO SERVED BRIEFLY AS ADVISER TO GVN PROVINCIAL
OFFICIALS ON ETHNIC MINORITY AFFAIRS SHARES IMPRESSION
REPORTED IN REFTEL THAT OPIUM POPPY WAS NOT GENERALLY GROWN
IN HIGHLANDS OF SOUTHERN VIETNAM.

2. STATEMENT IN PARA TWO OF REFTEL THAT MONTAGNARD TRIBESMEN
ARE NOT NOMADIC AND THAT THEY TRADITIONALLY LIVED IN
ESTABLISHED SETTLEMENTS, HOWEVER, MIGHT BE FURTHER CLARIFIED.
THE MONTAGNARD ARE MADE UP OF SEVERAL VERY DIFFERENT GROUPS
WITH DIFFERENT CUSTOMS. A SIGNIFICANT PART OF THESE
PEOPLES ENGAGE IN SLASH-AND-BURN AGRICULTURE AND ARE
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SEMINOMADIC, LIVING IN AN AREA UNTIL THE GROUND IS
NO LONGER FERTILE OR UNTIL DISEASE OR SOME OTHER
MISFORTUNE INDICATES THAT THE SPIRITS FEEL THEY SHOULD
MOVE ON. THE STIENG OF PRESENT-DAY SONG BE PROVINCE,
WITH WHOM CONGENOFF IS MOST FAMILIAR, AS WELL AS
THEMNONG WHO LIVE BETWEEN BAN ME THOUT AND DA LAT,
FALL INTO THIS GROUP. IT WOULD SEEM LIKELY THAT

THE VIETNAMESE ARE TRYING TO FORCE PEOPLE OF THIS
TYPE INTO ESTABLISHING PERMANENT SETTLEMENTS SO AS
TO BETTER CONTROL AND INDOCTRINATE THEM AND THAT THE
SRV WOULD LIKE TO USE UNFDAC FUNDS TO ASSIST IN
ACCOMPLISHING THIS OBJECTIVE.
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